Decade for Human Rights Education, 1995-2005

The posters pictured in this issue of the Fourth R were displayed at the 1994 Amnesty International Annual General Meeting in Chicago as part of the Scholastic Magazine human rights poster contest.

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Acronyms

AI             Amnesty International
AIUSA          Amnesty International United States of America
HRE            Human Rights Education
NAPHRE         North American Partners in Human Rights Education
UDHR           Universal Declaration of Human Rights
UN             United Nations
UNESCO         United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization
UNICEF         United Nations Children’s Fund

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Editors’ Note

These are important times for human rights with milestones such as the beginning of the UN Decade for Human Rights Education (1995-2005) and the signing of the Convention on the Rights of the Child by President Clinton on February 16, 1995.

Our thanks to readers of The Fourth R who submitted compelling stories about human rights training and activities in which they have participated. We are heartened to see so many giving their time, talent, and energy to HRE projects that can make this a better world.

We invite you to use this issue of The Fourth R to read more about these projects, see some of the many organizations doing this important work, learn about international trainings, check out summer courses, and join the new North American Partners in Human Rights Education.

The Editors

UN Decade for Human Rights Education, 1995-2005

Congratulations! On December 9, 1994, as the direct result of advocacy by educators and human rights activists from around the world, the UN General Assembly (GA) launched UN Decade for Human Rights Education, 1995-2005.

The GA resolution #49/184, operative part 11, calls upon international, regional, and national nongovernmental organizations, in particular those concerned with women, labour development and the environment as well as all social justice groups, human rights advocates, educators, religious organizations and the media, to increase their involvement in formal and nonformal education in human rights and to cooperate with the Centre for Human Rights in implementing the United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education.

The international community has created public policy for human rights education and put it firmly on the international agenda. The ball is now in our court! As educators from around the world reach out for professional support, very clear request emerges: “Please, join hands in enhancing human rights education specifically in the United States. As the highway of information reaches to all corners of the world, your efforts in human rights education will inspire the development of a human rights culture worldwide.”

Each one of us who has made a commitment to engage in human rights education is a catalyst for social change. The young people, with whom we can dialogue on democracy as the delivery system of human rights and for whom human rights is to be the value system that informs their lives in dignity with one another, are the leaders of the Third Millennium. We owe them our special, undivided attention.

In view of unprecedented political transitions in all and from all directions, the process of learning about human rights as universal, indivisible and interconnected and as relevant to people’s daily lives is not a simple one. We all know that there are no easy answers in the teaching and learning about human rights. However, we need to undertake it and carefully evaluate its results along the way. Thus, it is imperative that we engage in dialogue throughout society of how best we can all abide by the political, civil, economic, social, and cultural contract of human rights.

On the pages of the Fourth R let’s engage bravely in this essential dialogue about human rights education and its introduction throughout the school system as part of the UN Decade for Human Rights Education. Your letters and specific ideas will be published. Together, we will go forth in this important path.

Shulamith Koenig, Member of the Editorial Board
Amnesty International Members Judge Posters

When members of AIUSA Human Rights Educators’ Network collaborated with *Scholastic* magazines for a series of articles on human rights and the UDHR last year, Scholastic also announced a human rights poster contest for students in grades 4-8.

At the 1994 Annual General Meeting of AIUSA in Chicago, the 350 Amnesty members attending voted on 50 of the best submitted posters. Several of the posters were also displayed at the AI information booth at the National Education Association Convention in New Orleans.

In the December 9, 1994, issues of *Junior Scholastic and Scholastic News*, several of the top posters were printed with an accompanying story acknowledging AI’s help with the poster contest.

As a resource, class sets for the special issues of *Scholastic* magazines highlighting human rights and the UDHR are available for purchase from Scholastic, Inc., by calling 1-800-631-1586.

Introducing Project Human RACE

Project Human RACE (Rights, Awareness, Curriculum, Education) is one of the first human rights curriculum libraries for teachers in the nations sponsored by Amnesty International. It will provide kindergarten through twelfth grade teachers in the Metropolitan School District of Madison, Wisconsin with curriculum and resources to enable them to teach any human rights education topic, such as conflict resolution, genocide, peace education, racism, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, multicultural awareness, and diversity.

Project Human RACE was created as a way to give something back to the Madison community, which has been supportive of the local AI chapter’s human rights work since it was established in 1978. Denise Janssen leads the project and is also the human rights education coordinator of the Midwest Region, a member of Madison’s AI chapter, and a teacher in the Madison Metropolitan School District.

The goals of Project Human RACE are to provide resources that empower human rights teachers as well as support their efforts with additional curriculum materials. These materials, which are selected by teachers and funded by the local AI chapter, may also be used in conjunction with teaching political science, social studies, literature, history, economics, and related arts.

If you would like information on how your group can create its own Project Human RACE, contact Denise Janssen, 608-244-6922.

Seventh Annual Amnesty International Student Activism Day Held in Boston

More than 500 students from Amnesty International’s Northeast Region converged on the campus of the University of Massachusetts at Boston on November 12, 1994, for a day of speakers, workshops, education, and enjoyment. This seventh annual Student Activism Day also raised $2,000 to benefit AIUSA and the worldwide movement for human rights.

The event featured appearances by AIUSA volunteers and staff, including speeches by both Heather Wiley, a member of the board of directors, and Carlos Salinas, government program officer for Latin America and the Caribbean.

Other highlights included a speech by Dorothy Thomas, director of the Women’s Rights Project at Human Rights Watch, and the moving personal accounts of both Laila Terzimehic, a Bosnian high school student presently residing in the United States, and Constancio Pinto, a refugee from East Timor.

Mr. Pinto’s speech was particularly timely, as he was one of the organizers of the 1991 protest march at Dili, East Timor, where hundreds of peaceful demonstrators were killed when Indonesian troops opened fire. On Student Activism Day, the third anniversary of the Santa Cruz massacre was commemorated by participants who heard Pinto describe his experience and pinned colored flowers to a banner in memory of those who lost their lives.

Students also attended two sessions of workshops that focused on building skills and raising awareness.

For information, contact Angelina Snodgrass, 617-623-0202.

Students Are Partners in Human Rights Education through the Teacher-Student Buddy System

Teachers can spend great amounts of time and energy researching, planning, and implementing classroom activities that enable their students to develop significant knowledge of human rights and a compassionate and critical human rights consciousness. Such consciousness is the life tool with which students will affect positive social change in their world. But sometimes no matter how innovative the classroom lessons are or how much creative energy teachers put into them, such lessons fall short of providing students with one of the most important elements of human rights education: the ability to empower themselves.

In most educational systems, teachers are given the context and the power to serve as intellectual, social, and cultural mentors to their students. But what if students were given the opportunity to share in that role? Could students themselves mentor teachers and in the process positively impact their peers’ learning? These questions were posed by a high school Amnesty group at St. Ignatius...
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College Prep in San Francisco. Eager to experiment with a new model of cooperative learning, the students recently ventured into creating the Teacher-Student Buddy System.

The role of buddies is to support teachers in their efforts to bring human rights issues, lessons, and activities into the classroom. Students who volunteer as buddies also collaborate in the teaching process. This may entail researching a topic, country, or issue; identifying resources the teacher can use; supplying the teacher with educational materials or ideas on the subject; and teaching collaboratively.

As a first step in the program, the students sent an interest form to all the teachers at their school. The teachers were able to indicate on the form whether they would benefit from a human rights buddy throughout the year or from a single speaker. Then the students organized a school breakfast for interested teachers—approximately 10 out of a faculty of 90. Together the teachers and buddies drew outlines of the educational needs and goals of the teachers and formulated plans for their collaborations.

To put together curriculum plans, students went to the library in small groups after school and met to give each other ideas and support on chosen topics and issues. Topics ranged from the death penalty (for those working with religion teachers) to indigenous rights, women’s rights, or specific countries (for those working with social studies and foreign language teachers).

It is still early to determine the success of the program. However, it is clear from the level of student and teacher involvement, commitment, and enthusiasm that it promises to be a valuable educational experience for participants.

“In this program,” said Jean Chadbourne, a student buddy who mentors Mr. Kreft, a religion teacher, “I find myself changing from a student to an equal member of a working relationship. It is a novelty for me as a student to discover that a teacher would find my knowledge useful and important.” Mr. Kreft claims that “working in tandem with my Amnesty student buddy has afforded me access to documents, information, and encouragement that I would otherwise be unlikely to find. She has been a wonderful asset to the learning experience both for my students and for myself.”

By creating a context in which teachers can learn from students and peers can learn from each other, the teacher-student buddy model fosters a democratic learning environment and compensates for some of the structural inequalities that students face in the traditional school system. The process of student empowerment unfolds naturally, and students’ motivation for learning increases dramatically when they are presented with the opportunity to use their knowledge and expertise effectively to educate others and themselves.

For further information, contact Susan Ackerman, 415-587-1350.

Celebrate Human Rights!

To celebrate the inaugural year of the United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education, 1995-2005, Partners in Human Rights Education and AIUSA Human Rights Educators are calling for works of art and writings by students in grades 4-12. Consider the following media and genre: essay, poetry, short story, poster, lithograph, all forms of paint, T-shirt design, charcoal, or drama. Literary works should not exceed 1,000 words.

Themes can include rights in general; specific rights such as those in the U.S. Bill of Rights, the UN Declaration of Human Rights, or the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child; problems or successes in an area of the world; rights and responsibilities; a celebration of particular freedoms; the voice of youth.

All contributing writers and artists will receive certificates recognizing their contributions to human rights advocacy. Exceptional entries will be exhibited at Amnesty International USA’s Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Boston in June.

All entries are due no later than Thursday, June 15, 1995, and become the property of the Educators’ Network, AIUSA. For further information, contact Patrick Manson, 214-617-6933.

Include your name, age, date of birth, address, phone, and name of school with your entry and send it to the following address:

Celebrate Human Rights!
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Updated HRE Resource Notebooks to be Completed in June, 1995

In 1990, the AIUSA Human Rights Education Steering Committee introduced the first Human Rights Education Resource Notebooks, copies of which were placed in all AIUSA offices and with members of the Steering Committee. These sets of two large loose-leaf notebooks were organized by content areas (e.g., death penalty, refugees, and the rights of children) and contained articles about human rights education as well as specific lesson plans and activities, which could be used in the classroom and in other settings.

Steering committee members and staff in some AIUSA offices have responded to requests for materials from AI members and non-AI educators in the U.S. and abroad by copying specific sections of the notebooks, with a nominal charge for copying and mailing. Educators’ Network members have utilized the materials to teach at AI conferences, professional conferences in a variety of educational fields, and human rights education workshops around the world.

Recognizing the growing interest in human rights education, the HRE Steering Committee proposed to update the resource notebooks. The committee examined the current status of the expand-
ing field of human rights education, which encompasses topics that were not included in the original notebooks. The new notebooks will provide up-to-date, practical, and comprehensive resources in the following 11 content areas: children’s rights, death penalty, economic justice, gay and lesbian rights, indigenous peoples, peace and conflict resolution, race and ethnicity, refugees, religious tolerance, the UDHR, and women. These topics reflect the state of the art, which finds human rights education included within a growing number of subject areas and fields of study. Each section will include an introduction, practical activities, and a list of resources.

In addition to the content-oriented sections, four other sections will address specific aspects of human rights education: HRE for young children (a holistic approach for building a foundation for human rights learning), literature (resources that integrate many of the content areas), workshop models (the development of human rights educators through participatory workshops), and a human rights education primer (basic information for AIUSA office staff, volunteer leaders, and local and student group members who may not be familiar with HRE).

Completed notebooks and individual sections will be available for purchase by participants in the AIUSA Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Boston June 23-25. In July, the materials will be also available through AIUSA regional offices, steering committee members, and the North American Partners for Human Rights Education (NAPHRE) Resource Center at the University of Minnesota. Special support for this project was supplied by AIUSA Special Initiatives Fund.

For further information, contact Vienna Colucci, 312-435-6388.

AIUSA Human Rights Educators’ Network

AIUSA Human Rights Educators’ Network has been working for years to spread the understanding and advocacy of rights to children and adults. Today more than ever, we need to increase awareness and activism. Recognizing the importance of teaching rights, the United Nations has declared 1995-2005 the Decade for Human Rights Education. How can you develop your role as a human rights educator?

1. Become a member of the Educators’ Network and ask others to join. Dues are $10 a year to help pay for The Fourth R, which you receive twice a year. Membership also provides a regional network newsletter and a directory of network members in your region. These regional resources offer opportunities to coordinate activities and share ideas.

2. Use the resources that the Educators’ Network offers. The revised, expanded, and updated Human Rights Education Resource Notebooks will be available in July and contain many activities for the classroom and other audiences. Also share your copy of The Fourth R with other teachers. Take special note of Vol. 6 No. 1, Summer 1994, a valuable resource guide, and this issue, which can connect you with other human rights and HRE organizations.

3. Consider membership in the North American Partners for Human Rights Education (NAPHRE). NAPHRE membership can enlarge your connections to important literature, curricula, organizations, and other services.

Amnesty International: The Struggle for Human Rights

Amnesty International (AI) is a worldwide movement of people acting on the convictions that governments must not deny individuals their basic human rights and that ordinary men and women can effectively pressure governments to live up to their commitments in human decency. The organization was awarded the 1977 Nobel Peace Prize for its efforts to promote global observance of the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights. AI’s effectiveness depends on its impartial application of a single standard of human rights to every country in the world.
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“Civic Declaration” Calls for a New Citizenship

The Center for Democracy and Citizenship at the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota, has ongoing programs with human rights and citizenship responsibilities in their core. Project Public Life’s Public Achievement program develops citizenship leaders of all ages in schools and communities through a variety of learning experiences, including workshops and classes. Participants learn that citizenship is more than obeying the rules, and they develop skills and strategies for solving public problems.

“Civic Declaration: A Call for a New Citizenship” is a recently published document outlining the new citizenship project of the American Civic Forum. The authors of the “Civic Declaration” argue it is not only our right but our responsibility to have government by and of the people and not simply government for the people.

For further information, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Center for Democracy and Citizenship, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, 301 19th Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN  55455.
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Children Prepare for 1995 World Summit
For more than a year, children ages 8-18 all over the world have been attending preparatory meetings to learn about the United Nations as part of the 1995 World Summit of Children project. In June 1995, when the UN will be celebrating its fiftieth anniversary, these young citizens will meet in approximately 20 international sites. They will interact through telecommunications to prepare three documents—a proposal for a young general assembly to become part of the UN, a proposal for an international day for children to interact with local and global leaders, and an international report about how governments are keeping their promises to children.

You can help with fund raising by becoming a “global partner.” For further information, contact Ellen Brogren, Peaceways, 415-340-8940.
Children Fold Paper Birds of Peace
A “citizenship of peacemaking” project was initiated ten years ago in response to media inquiries to American children at Hiroshima International School. During the fortieth commemoration of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima children were stunned by reporters’ questions: “Do the hibakusha (bomb victims) resent you living in Hiroshima?” “Do you feel guilty as Americans living here?” “What do you kids do for peace?”

As residents of the International City of Peace and Culture, the students were especially bothered by the last question. So they decided to start a club and write a booklet telling other children why the paper crane was significant to Hiroshima. They invited children around the world to learn how to fold paper cranes, teach others, and send a thousand cranes to Hiroshima, where they would be taken to the children’s monument in Peace Park and photographed. The originating classroom or school then was sent a certificate.

Supported by UNESCO, the club spread worldwide. Today, it is known as the Birds of Peace Project sponsored by the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA–USA). The project has expanded its mission to maintain and sustain school communities as international peace sites and UNA partnership schools with a commitment to the UDHR.

For further information, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Birds of Peace, United Nations Association, 1929 S. Fifth St., Minneapolis, MN 55454.
HRE Organizations and Projects

Partners in Human Rights Education Teach K-12 Children

More than a hundred three-person teams of lawyers, teachers, and community representatives currently teach human rights in K-12 classrooms in the Midwest through Partners in Human Rights Education.

The project’s goals are to provide a universally accepted human rights values framework for students to begin questioning how to make the world a better place and to support teachers in facilitating an environment that encourages students to respect human dignity and become agents of change.

Team members are matched according to their preferred student age group, time availability, and school location and are provided with materials and access to resource experts. They participate in human rights education training and develop and organize their own human rights team approach, including the schedule, lessons, and methodology.

In addition, the Partners Project has worked with the St. Paul Pioneer Press to create a human rights newspaper supplement for students and has helped to develop a year-long series of children’s human rights spots for Radio AAHS.

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For further information, contact the Human Rights Center, 612-626-0041.

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**Citizens Lobby for the Convention on the Rights of the Child**

On February 16, 1995, President Clinton signed the Convention on the Rights of the Child. To be ratified by the U.S., the convention now needs a two-thirds majority vote in the Senate.

To assist in ratification, a U.S. lobby campaign of youth in each state is being organized by Voices of the Next Generation in preparation for the 1995 World Summit of Children.

Grassroots action models of RESULTS, Alliances Benefiting Children, and Voices of the Next Generation, along with educational materials from Child Rights International Research Institute, Coalition for Children of the Earth, UNICEF, and the United Nations Association of Minnesota are being used.

For information on how to participate in the lobby, contact Glenna Voegle, Voices of the Next Generation, 405-946-9343.

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**Children’s Peace Garden to be Dedicated**

In August 1995, the Children’s Peace Garden will be dedicated in Los Alamos, New Mexico, site of the creation of the nuclear bomb. The goal of the project is to make a formal, unified commitment for peace and to join as one in the promise to continue working together for justice and respect for life.

This monument is designed as a sister statue to Genbaku No Ko No Zo (Monument for A-Bombed Children), the one in Hiroshima funded by Japanese children.

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Children Bear Torch of Hope

As the 1995 World Summit of Children draws to a close on June 27, the United Nations Peace Torch, used in the 1986 First Earth Run, will be lighted. During the following twelve weeks this symbolic torch will be carried by children from U.S. city to city and reach New York City for the opening of the fiftieth session of the UN General Assembly.

You and your schools, churches, youth groups, and civic organizations are invited to help organize a torch event in your community and participate as torch bearers. For further information, contact Jan Pritts, Youth Builders, 309-452-8829.
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International HRE Training Activities

This section focuses on Human Rights Education trainings by individuals from the United States. In future issues, we will highlight educators from throughout the world training in the United States and other countries.

HRE Workshops Held in Slovakia
In August 1994, Beverly Edmonds (AI Children’s Network) and Dave Donahue (AI Educators’ Network) presented a three-day children’s rights workshop in Bratislava, Slovakia, and a one-day workshop in Rimavska Sobota, Slovakia. The workshops were organized by the Milan Šimecka Foundation (MSF) in Bratislava.

The Bratislava workshop ended with teachers developing curricula appropriate to their own schools. For example, a group of teachers from Šala, Slovakia, created lessons to prepare their school for integrating students with disabilities who would join the school community in the fall after having attended a separate school.

Throughout 1994, MSF held a series of 12 workshops on human rights for teachers at different sites in Slovakia. Teachers who attended the initial workshops are now ready to teach their colleagues about human rights, expanding the network of human rights educators.

For further information, contact Dave Donahue at ddonahue@igc.apc.org or 510-465-2013.

Romanians Participate in HRE Workshops
In early February 1994, Nancy Flowers, former chair of the Amnesty International Educators’ Network, and Ellen Moore of the AIUSA Urgent Action Network were asked to run two three-day workshops for teachers and school administrators in Romania. The overall project was the vision of SIRDO, the Independent Society for Human Rights in Romania, overseen by Ligia Neacsu and Felica Tibbits, and underwritten by the Dutch Helsinki Committee.

Flowers and Moore were temporary employees of the United States Government as part of the United States Information Agency’s Academic Specialist Program. They put together a skeletal plan for three days of hands-on experiential modules. Once in Bucharest they worked with a team of Romanian activists, teachers, and translators developing each section of the program.

They used videos, panels, work stations, discussion groups, mock lessons, and journal-keeping to teach the nearly 60 participants in each workshop. Participants searched the local Romanian press for stories with human rights themes of “rights denied,” “rights in conflict,” “rights exercised,” and “rights protected.” They shared Romanian proverbs, adages, and folk tales, and analyzed the human rights themes in them. They discussed the state of human rights among vilified groups in Romania: gypsies, Hungarian Romanians, former Communists, Jews, Serbs, Turks, women, and children. Every day the workshop participants brought hyacinths, tulips, or roses for their teachers and participated with enthusiasm.

Following the workshops, Flowers and Moore developed a checklist for trainers doing human rights education workshops at home or abroad and field tested their plan.

For further information, contact Ellen Moore, 303-440-0913.

Flowers Teaches Human Rights in Gaza
In October 1994, Nancy Flowers was invited by Ghassan Abdullah, head of the Palestinian Centre for Human Rights Education (PCHRE), to present human rights workshops for Arab educators in the towns of Hebron, Ramallah, Gaza, and Nablus. The timing was opportune because authority for schools in the West Bank and Gaza had been passed to Palestinians only weeks before. One of Flowers’ most moving experiences, repeated in every town, was the sight of children lined up in school yards to sing the national anthem and raise the flag. These acts were previously forbidden.

In addition to international human rights and appropriate methodologies, a primary focus of the workshop was democratization of Palestinian schools. Participants discussed such topics as corporal punishment, student and parent councils, and how to give teachers a voice in policy making.

Because most Palestinians were likely to have personally experienced human rights abuses, participants were provided with small journals and asked to record their ideas, associations, and responses. Although these journals were strictly private, many participants expressed appreciation for this activity. Each participant also received a packet of resource materials in Arabic prepared by PCHRE.

This program has unusual potential for success. Local educational authorities seem eager to introduce human rights into the schools, and PCHRE has attracted local leadership. Flowers was especially impressed with the commitment, skill, and energy of Palestinian educators, all of whom had experienced long years of the Intifada, most of whose warriors were kids with rocks, often their own students.

For further information, contact Nancy Flowers at nflowers@igc.apc.org or 415-857-0812.

Guyana Embarks on Human Rights Education Effort
AI-Guyana and the Guyana Human Rights Association (GHRA) have embarked on an ambitious human rights education effort. With encouragement from the Ministry of Education, they are educating teachers about human rights, developing their skills in teaching human rights, creating curriculum for the Guyana context, and training trainers who will work with others throughout the country. Alim Husein of AI and Merle Mendonca of GHRA have provided the leadership for this project.
In April 1994, a three-day training session for 40 teachers, administrators, and ministry officials was held in Georgetown, Guyana. David Shiman and Krishanti Dharmaraj of AIUSA were the trainers. Ministry of Education officials from Barbados, Trinidad-Tobago, Grenada, and Jamaica were invited and participated in the workshop. The Minister of Education indicated strong support for human rights education in the final public session, which was attended by more than 100 people. This workshop received materials from Save the Children, and AIUSA Committee on International Development funded the trainer’s travel expenses.

A follow-up workshop in August 1994 involved eight educators and Shiman, who developed curriculum to be pilot tested in early 1995. Another workshop, planned for August 1995, will focus on revising the materials and training trainers to continue the human rights education work.

For additional information, contact Merle Mendonca, 592-61789.

**HRE Workshop Held in Bermuda**

A trip to Bermuda had its desired tonic effect for Patrick Manson—especially coming at semester’s end for a fifth and sixth grade teacher. But Manson said it also awakens one to the reality that Bermudians, latter-day beneficiaries of British colonialism, are quietly searching for economic and racial fairness while living under the umbrella of institutions that maintain the status quo.

Courtesy of Amnesty International Bermuda, Manson visited the island of pink sand and motor scooters in the summer of 1994 to present lessons and materials to 13 high school teachers, all of whom were new to human rights education but somewhat aware of Amnesty International. The lessons were standard introductory ones emphasizing the “discovery” of rights on the part of students, the UDHR, children’s actions, what high schoolers can do, and the role of AI.

Early on, however, Manson became aware that the educational system in Bermuda, which is based on European-style teaching, has kept economically and racially marginalized youth from getting into higher education. Pre-teens take a test that slates them for either the “academic” or the “non-academic” track, and they live with the result of that test for the rest of their lives. As a consequence, those who sometimes need that critical adolescent period to become more fully proficient in language and numbers are not given the opportunity to prove that they are “college material.”

Though the teachers at the workshop were of diverse backgrounds, the students in their high schools had already been divided along class and racial lines by the test. All of the teachers were sensitive to the problem, but ironically they had never opened up classroom discussion to address the resentment and bitterness they saw in some young Bermudians. Students with non-academic diplomas, for instance, just take an additional year at Bermuda College, although they have often been accepted at colleges in the U.S. on a four-year basis. In the last segment of the workshop, participants focused on ways they could use human rights education in the context of Bermuda’s institutional reality.

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**South African HRE Programs Developed**

The long history of egregious human rights violations in South Africa led the National Institute for Citizen Education in the Law (NICEL), based in Washington, D.C., to form partnerships with three South African organizations aimed at promoting human rights education. NICEL, Lawyers for Human Rights, the Street Law Programme, and the Community Law Centre (CLC) developed
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two innovative human rights education programs aimed at expanding training in human rights to populations that had been frequently overlooked in earlier South African HRE efforts.

A partnership between NICEL, Lawyers for Human Rights, and the South African Street Law Programme yielded the innovative text entitled Human Rights for All. Drawing heavily on the experience of U.S. educators experienced in teaching about the Holocaust, this text differs in focus from available human rights education materials. Instead of looking primarily at specific human rights issues such as torture or the death penalty, this text teaches about the meaning of human rights, the idea of environmental rights, and the right to development. The text employs an approach NICEL has used in all of its educational materials: it teaches students what existing international standards are and then asks participants to debate issues openly. Human rights issues are explored through participatory activities.

Another text produced by the partnership in South Africa came about from the Community Law Centre’s commitment to conducting HRE with adults in rural community settings. The long distances human rights trainers have to travel to conduct workshops, as well as literacy problems, language and cultural differences, and the inadequacies of the Human Rights for All text to meet the needs of rural South Africans made this type of education difficult.

Already adept at finding solutions to these dilemmas, the CLC enlisted NICEL’s assistance in the creation of a text to be used in community settings with rural South Africans. The book uses large cartoons to illustrate each article of the UDHR and includes a simplified version of the appropriate text in both English and Zulu. The cartoons are action oriented and illustrate common human rights issues facing rural South Africans. The book includes questions that prompt participants to analyze the content of the UDHR and the drawings in the context of their daily lives. The text, Human Rights/Amalungelo Oluntu, has been used successfully in many parts of South Africa.

NICEL’s work in South Africa is only one part of its international programs, which include projects in East Africa, Latin America, and East/Central Europe. In the United States, NICEL has made information about the law available to citizens for more than 20 years. This work has centered around NICEL’s primary text, Street Law: A Course in Practical Law, currently in use in all 50 U.S. states. A U.S. version of the Human Rights for All text is in production, and will be released by West Publishing Company later this year.

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Canada Presents Sixteenth Annual International Human Rights Training Programme

The International Human Rights Training Programme is a three-week intensive summer session bringing together more than 100 participants from approximately thirty-five countries. The program seeks to advance the cause of human rights through education and comprehensive practical training supporting the work of human rights groups. It uses adult education methodologies to encourage active participation.

Participants learn:

- how to use the human rights framework
- about the links between civil rights, development, and social and economic rights
- methods of popular education and communication techniques
- organization building through organizational and strategic planning, management, goal setting, fund raising, and evaluation techniques
- how to carry on partnership and networking activities essential to promoting the cause of human rights
- how organizations can advocate more effectively on behalf of specific groups, such as refugees, women, children, and indigenerous peoples

Summer Courses

The training program is sponsored by the Canadian Human Rights Foundation, a nonprofit, non-partisan, nongovernmental organization. For further information, contact the foundation, 514-954-0382.

University of Minnesota Course Offered on the UN and Children

Walter Enloe and Gwen Willems will facilitate “Fifty Years of the United Nations: A Focus on Children and Family Rights and Responsibilities,” a course for educators and helping professionals in the University of Minnesota Summer Session special program, “1995 Summer of Significance.” This course, International Relations 5900, will focus on human rights issues of children and families locally and globally and emphasize the concept of citizenship as the public work of problem-solving.

Anticipated speakers include human rights experts David Shiman of the University of Vermont, Kristi Rudelius-Palmer and David Weissbrodt of the University of Minnesota Human Rights Center, and Arvonne Fraser, Barbara Knutson, Mary Eileen Sorenson, and Dorothy Hoffman, human rights leaders for children, families, and women.

For further information, contact Walter Enloe, 612-641-2810.
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**Human Rights Education Summer School Held in United Kingdom**

The Third United Kingdom Human Rights Education Summer School will be held July 21-23, 1995, at University College of Ripon & York St. John, York.

For further information, contact Margot Brown, Centre for Global Education, the University College of Ripon & York St. John, Lord Mayor’s Walk, York, England Y03 7EX, phone 0904-616839, fax 0904-612512.

**International Human Rights Law Programme Offered at Oxford**

The University of Oxford and the George Washington University are offering a joint program in human rights law at New College in Oxford, England. It is intended to prepare students to contribute to the improvement of human rights conditions in their homelands and around the world.

For its inaugural session in July 1995, the program has assembled an internationally recognized faculty offering courses on the philosophy, history, doctrine, and practice of international human rights law. The program emphasizes advocacy and dissemination skills, as well as formal knowledge of human rights law, the means of its enforcement, and its status in a contentious world.

For further information, contact Professor Ralph Steinhardt, National Law Center, the George Washington University, 720 20th Street NW, Washington, DC 20052, 202-994-5739.

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**International Institute of Human Rights Hosts 26th Study Session in Strasbourg, France**

The International Institute of Human Rights will hold its 26th Study Session from July 3–28, 1995, in Strasbourg, France. Among the Institute’s topics will be: the history of human rights; the obligations of states to respect and ensure human rights; the human rights protection system of the United Nations and of its specialized agencies; the rights and duties of intergovernmental organizations in situations of civil war or anarchy; international humanitarian law; and the Inter American, European, and African human rights systems and charters. In addition to the numerous human rights classes, the International Center for University Human Rights Teaching (CiedhU) will also instruct participants on human rights education methods and practices.

For further information, contact the International Institute of Human Rights, 1, Lezay Marn, 67000 Strasbourg, France, phone (33) 88 35 05 50, fax (33) 88 36 38 55.

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**Copies Are Available of the Most Recent Issue of Human Rights Education: The Fourth R**

The summer 1994 issue of *The Fourth R* was an annotated bibliography of human rights education resources, divided into general and topical sections. Resource topics included:

- children
- conflict resolution and peace
- death penalty, torture, and other human rights abuses
- development, economic justice, food, and health
- environment
- ethnic, linguistic, and religious minorities
- gays and lesbians
- indigenous peoples
- refugees
- women

To obtain copies, contact the Human Rights Center, University of Minnesota, 437 Law Center, 229 - 19th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55455, U.S., phone 612-626-0041, fax 612-625-2011.
North American Partners for Human Rights Education (NAPHRE) is a new group of organizations collaborating on shared educational goals. These partners are AIUSA, AI-Canada (English speaking), International Human Rights Association of American Minorities (IHRAAM), National Institute for Citizen Education in the Law (NICEL), Organizing Committee of the People’s Decade of Human Rights Education, South House Exchange, University of Minnesota Human Rights Center, and University of Vermont’s Center for World Education.

NAPHRE seeks to ensure that every child is prepared to live in a global community where human rights and democratic principles are understood and realized in daily life. It strives to establish human rights as an essential ingredient in the professional education of every teacher and in the curriculum of every school in the U.S. and Canada. NAPHRE works to provide a framework of universally accepted human rights values for students to begin questioning how to make the world a better place and to support teachers in facilitating an environment that encourages students to respect human dignity and become agents of change.

Membership in NAPHRE ($20 for individuals, $35 for schools and community organizations, $100 for national organizations) includes a subscription to The Fourth R, access to the materials and consultants of the Human Rights Education Clearinghouse located at the University of Minnesota’s Human Rights Center, newsletters of many other NAPHRE member organizations, and information on conferences and courses in human rights education. NAPHRE also encourages members to become involved in human rights education curriculum development and training programs with educators throughout North America.

For more information and to request a brochure and membership form, contact NAPHRE, University of Minnesota Human Rights Center, 229 - 19th Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455, 612-626-0041, fax 612-625-2011.

Share Your Ideas on Human Rights Education through the Arts

The next issue of Human Rights Education: The Fourth R will focus on human rights education through the arts. If you are creating poems, drawings, or essays on human rights or want to suggest books of art, poetry, or drama on human rights, send information to Gwen Willems, managing editor, The Fourth R, c/o Human Rights Center, University of Minnesota, 437 Law Center, 229 - 19th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55455.